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**COVER LETTER SUBMITTING AMENDED PAGES OF APPLICATION
AND ENGLISH TRANSLATION OF ANNEX**

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Sir:

Enclosed please find a copy of the International Preliminary Examination Report - Form PCT/IPEA/409 (hereinafter "Report") which was drawn on pages of description 1-5 and 2 sheet of drawings, as originally filed, and on amended claims 1-4, as filed October 8, 2005, and includes as an Annex amended claims 1-4 (in German). Also, enclosed is an English translation of the Annex, i.e., amended claims 1-4 (identified as "AMENDED CLAIMS.").

Based upon the submission of amended claims 1-4, Applicants respectfully request examination on the merits of the application containing amended claims 1-4, in place of originally filed claims 1-5.

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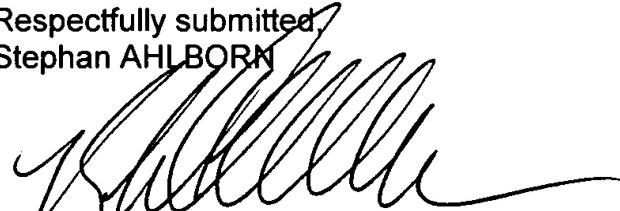
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REMARKS

The Examiner is respectfully requested to enter the foregoing prior to examination of the above-identified patent application.

Should there be any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

Respectfully submitted,
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